Athletic Park Usage Guidelines

In Pendleton County, we take pride in our community which is evident with the creation of the 22-acre Pendleton Athletic Park. The Athletic Park is available for use by individuals, families, organizations, or businesses, when not in use for organized activities by Pendleton County Recreation. This Athletic Park and other recreational facilities, such as Southern Elementary school property and the areas used by the Fair Board, fall under the supervision of the Pendleton County Fiscal Court and the Pendleton County School Board. Following are rules and regulations approved by the governing bodies for operation of the properties previously described:

Pendleton Recreation Rules and Regulations:

- 1. The Pendleton Athletic Park is accessible for park related activities.
- 2. Walking on the nature trail after dusk is prohibited.
- 3. No littering, theft, or vandalism of park property. Offenders will be prosecuted.
- 4. No possession or use of alcoholic beverages or unlawful substances is allowed.
- 5. Motorized vehicle parking on lawns, athletic/practice fields, sidewalks, park property, or roadways is prohibited. Roadways and parking areas are clearly marked and established. Driving beyond designated areas to load and unload equipment or transport goods is prohibited. Vehicles will be ticketed and towed at the owner's expense.
- 6. No person shall operate a vehicle carelessly or in such a manner as to endanger the rights or safety of others. All persons shall abide by the 10 mph speed limit that is posted throughout the park. Offenders will be prosecuted.
- 7. Servicing or repairing any vehicle, abandoned vehicles, or other equipment within the park is not allowed.
- 8. No fighting, verbal, or physical abuse of spectators, participants, or park personnel will be tolerated!! Violators will be subject to penalty by law as prescribed in KRS 525.060.
- 9. No fighting, verbal, or physical abuse of sports officials will be tolerated!! Violators will be subject to penalty by law as prescribed in KRS 518.090.
- 10. No firearms of any kind are allowed on park grounds.
- 11. Under discretion of park personnel, fields may be closed at any time due to weather and/or field conditions. Park personnel have the authority to move any practices to another location if damage is occurring to the fields/facilities. Persons using closed fields/facilities are subject to penalties. Penalties may include, but not limited to, the charge per hourly rate that is assessed to repair the damage done.
- 12. Light usage will be determined by Pendleton County Recreation. The scheduled turning on and off of lights shall be the responsibility of the Recreation Department. If needed, lights will be turned on at dusk and turned off immediately once the event is complete. Only with the approval of the Recreation Director, and only under certain conditions and/or for special uses, will light usage be extended. A light usage fee may be assessed for different events that are held at the Athletic Park.
- 13. Signs, schedules, etc. may not be posted on any surface within the park. Posting of signs will be permitted in the locked bulletin board only. Any such materials must be submitted to the Recreation Director for approval and posting at least two days prior to the event.
- 14. Teams/individuals/organizations/businesses are responsible for picking up litter generated by its practices/games/ and any other activity including the bleacher area and parking lots. Trash must be deposited in trash barrels or the dumpster. Outside organization(s)/individuals scheduling the facility will be required to pay a damage deposit of \$200.00. Once the event is complete, the organization(s) will have a 12 hour time frame to complete clean up of the park. If clean up is not completed within the 12 hours, the deposit will not be refunded.

- 15. All events must be scheduled and approved through the Recreation Department. Requests for scheduled events will be processed on a first come/first serve basis. The office number is 859-654-5800. To view what activities are scheduled at the facilities, you may view the facilities page at www.pendleton.k12.ky.us, and click on the facilities page link.
- 16. All individuals/organizations shall hold the Pendleton County Recreation Commission and its designees harmless from any action or suit by person or persons occasioned by the use of the Pendleton Athletic Park by said individuals/organizations.
- 17. Sufficient adult supervision shall be provided by the individuals/organizations sponsoring the event. The person who scheduled the event is responsible for his/her actions and those attending the event.
- 18. Dogs within the facilities must be on a leash (City Ordinance # 130.033) and owners are responsible to pick up after the animal.
- 19. No participants are allowed on any playing fields/practice fields without a coach present. All participants are responsible for cleaning up any waste and disposing of it.
- 20. The Pendleton County Recreation Commission reserves the right to deny a request for an event for any purpose that is not consistent with this policy.
- 21. All tournaments must be officiated by certified or licensed officials for those tournaments that are recommended by the Recreation Department.
- 22. The Recreation Commission would look at waiving tournament fees if a donation is greater than the actual fees charged and if it can be applied toward a project the Commission is working on.
- 23. No glass bottles or glass containers are allowed in the athletic park.
- 24. No campfires are allowed in the park. Cooking must be confined to appropriate portable grills and all waste materials must be disposed of properly. No grease is to be placed down any type of drain on the facilities. Do not place hot coals in any trash receptacle.
- 25. All maintenance of the facilities will be completed by the groundskeeper or the maintenance personnel of the Pendleton County Board of Education.
- 26. All vendors must be approved through the Recreation Department.
- 27. No bicycles, rollerblades, roller skates, skateboards, etc are allowed on the tennis court surface. Skating, skateboarding, bike-riding, and rollerblading are allowed on the concrete walking trail except at times when other events are scheduled in the park. Skaters and riders shall respect the others using the park and yield to walkers and runners on the walking trail. Skaters are to remain 1000 ft. from a scheduled event for the purpose of safety of the spectators and event participants. Violators of this policy may be asked to leave the property and may be denied use of the facility by the Recreation Commission or its staff.
- 28. No horses or motorized vehicles allowed on the nature trail.
- 29. Tennis courts may be reserved by calling the Recreation Director at 654-5800. A maximum of three courts may be reserved at once. One court will be open for public use.
- 30. Specific sport seasons will be established for the equitable use and allocations of the athletic facilities by the Recreation Department.
- 31. It shall be unlawful to camp overnight in the Athletic Park without written permission from the recreation director. Any authorized camping shall be done only in areas designated by the director.